SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 675 By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kim Phuong Thi Truong, 2002 Salutatorian of Craigmont High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Miss Kim Phuong Thi Truong is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2002 graduating class at Craigmont High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Kim has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary grade point average and established an impeccable academic reputation; and

WHEREAS, due to her outstanding commitment to academic excellence, Miss Truong has earned numerous honors and awards, including the Bartell Family Scholarship for the 2001 Cornell University Summer College program, the William Sweet Award for earning All As in 1998 and 2001 and the William Sweet Honors Award for academic excellence and exemplary conduct; and

WHEREAS, an Advanced Placement Scholar, Miss Truong has been a participant in the Annual Mathematics Contest at the University of Memphis, where she has excelled in numerous categories including Geometry, Algebra II and Pacesetters; she has also been an outstanding participant of the National French Exam; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented individual, Kim possesses tremendous athletic ability as she has played on the Girls' Varsity Golf Team for several seasons, earning numerous commendations, including Runner-up of the MIAA Girls' All-City Championship and Fourth Place Medallist honors at the MIAA Girls' All-City Championship and the TSSAA Class AAA District Golf Competition; and

WHEREAS, as an integral part of the team's TSSAA District Tournament Championship, Kim has earned Most Improved Player Honors in 1999 and 2002 and Most Valuable Player honors in 1999; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her athletic exploits, Kim is a talented pianist and a successful web page designer; and

WHEREAS, highly respected as a leader among her peers; Miss Truong is active in numerous scholastic organizations, including the Interact Service Organization, the French Club, Teens for Peace, the Environmental Club, Mu Alpha Theta, the College Mathematics Club and the Pep Club; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her community, Kim participates in numerous community service organizations, including the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Viet-America Youth Buddhist Association of Memphis, the Disabled American Veterans Association, the Memphis Interfaith Association, the Toys for Tots Program, the Operation Christmas Child and the Honduras Relief Project; and

WHEREAS, in addition to committing her time to these organizations, Kim continues to serve the Memphis community through volunteer work at the Memphis-Shelby County Library and Baptist East Memorial High School; and

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WHEREAS, Kim Phuong Thi Truong's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she plans to attend college and pursue a degree in the field of computer engineering; and

WHEREAS, Kim's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Khiem Truong and Kimloan Nguyen, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Truong's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Craigmont High School Salutatorian, Kim Phuong Thi Truong, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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